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SUBJECT: GAO STUDY OF URBAN RAILCAR MARKET

REF: A) BRUSSELS 15777; B) BRUSSELS 16017; C) STATE 203417

1. FOLLOWING RECEIPT OF REFTEL A, UNDER SECRETARY READ
HELD DISCUSSIONS WITH SENIOR OFFICIALS OF GAO, WHICH
CONFIRMED THE DETAILS OF THE GAO CONTACT WITH THE BELGIAN
EMBASSY IN WASHINGTON, ESSENTIALLY AS NOTED ON REFTEL B.

2. DEPARTMENT REQUESTS THAT YOU RECONSIDER YOUR EARLIER
DECISION AND ALLOW THE GAO VISIT UNDER THE FOLLOWING
TERMS:

-- A. GAO VISIT TO BRUSSELS WILL BE CONFINED TO TWO DAYS,
SEPTEMBER 11 AND 12; AND,

-- B. GAO VISIT WILL BE SUBJECT TO GUIDANCE AND CONTROL
BY EMBASSY.

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3. MFA SHOULD BE ADVISED THAT PURPOSE OF STUDY IS AS
STATED IN PAR. 2 OF REFTEL C. IT WAS NOT INITIATED
SOLELY BECAUSE OF PULLMAN.

4. PLEASE ADVISE YOUR DECISION BY PRIORITY CABLE. GAO
ITINERARY AND NAMES AND SECURITY CLEARANCES OF TEAM
MEMBERS WILL FOLLOW BY SEPTTEL. CHRISTOPHER

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